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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/007456	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 7/08/2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 7/24/2003
TITLE OF INVENTION: MICROLITHOGRAPHIC PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INTRODUCING AN IMMERSION LIQUID INTO AN IMMERSION SPACE		
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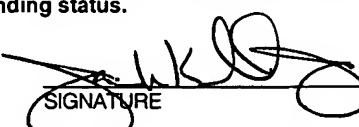
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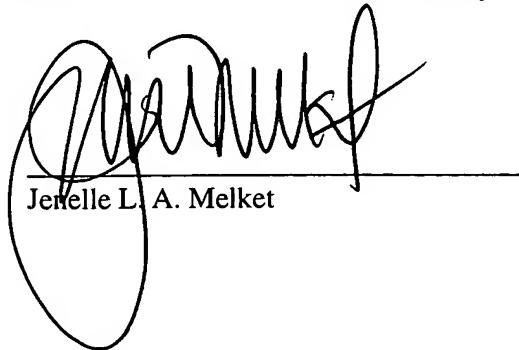
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